

# DECATUR MORNING REVIEW

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## TERRIFIC EXPLOSION.

Six Mills of the Dupont Powder Works in Ruins.

### MANY BLOWN INTO FRAGMENTS.

Sixteen Persons Believed to Have Been Killed, 2 Score or more Injured, and Devastation Spread Over Acres—Two Hamlets Demolished by the Shock—Only Two Bodies Recovered—List of the Dead and Injured—Pensions for the Widows.

WILMINGTON, Del., Oct. 7.—One of the most disastrous casualties that ever occurred in Delaware took place about half past 8 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, when six of the Dupont powder mills were blown up. At least sixteen persons were killed, many others injured, and an incalculable amount of damage was done to property for many miles around. The Dupont powder mills extend along the Brandywine chiefly on the west bank and close to the water for about two miles. They are divided into the "upper," "Hagley," and "lower" yards. The former is some three miles and the latter five miles from Wilmington. At the "upper" was the office and business headquarters of the company.

5 Miles and the Office is Ruins.

The office of the Dupont company is a complete wreck and six mills are in ruins. Several members of the Dupont firm were injured by falling walls and broken glass, but none of them very seriously. Among the slightly injured are: Eugene Dupont, the head of the firm; Francis G. Dupont, and Charles L. Dupont. They and several clerks in the office were cut by fragments of broken glass, but none of them seriously. The dead were all employees of the company and were in and about the mills that exploded. Several workmen are missing, and are believed to have been blown into fragments. The wounded received their injuries among the walls of their falling houses. The first explosion occurred in one of the smaller mills, where a workman named Green was receiving a wagon load of gunpowder to be shipped for the use of the United States government. In some way a spark communicated to the can and it blew up. Instantly the packing mill exploded and the other mills in the upper yards—seven or eight in number—followed at intervals of less than one second. All these, except one, were "rolling mills," in which the ingredients of gun powder are pulverized by vertical rollers of stone turning slowly around a central post.

Two Hamlets Suffer from the Shock.

The entire upper Dupont yards, where the explosion occurred, and for some distance all around, including the hamlets of Rockland and Charles Banks, had the appearance of having experienced a terrible earthquake. Every building was either demolished or twisted into an unrecognizable pile of ruins. All the employees were either killed, most of them being torn to atoms, so that scarcely enough of any one of them can be ever recovered so that they may be recognized. A woman and her child living near were also killed.

Only Two of the Bodies Found.

A singular fact of the occurrence is that the bodies of Green and McGarvey, who are believed to have started the explosion, were the only ones of the workmen found. Not even a portion of the remains of the other unfortunate beings has as yet been discovered, although it is reported that the body of one of the workmen is lodged in a high tree in an adjoining woods. McGarvey's head was blown away, but the remains of Green are entirely recognizable and in a good condition. Green was a vocalist of some local repute and was one of the most valued workmen of the firm.

The Railroads Injured.

Following is a list of the killed as far as learned: John D. Dwyer, Patrick Dougherty, John D. Dugorty, Rose Dougherty, and her infant grand daughter; Martin Dolan, James Dolan, William Denison, William Green, John Hurkile, Michael Hurkile, Thomas Hurkile, John Harrigan, Patrick Harrigan, William McGarvey, John Newell.

Among those more seriously injured are: Lydia Anderson, arm broken and badly bruised; Edward Colvin, serious scalp wound; Annie and Mary Dolan, daughters of James Dolan, who was killed, badly bruised; Hugh Ferg, unconscious when found, injuries unknown; Daniel Hawkins, E. Kirk, body bruised; A. D. Le Carpenter, wrist wrenched; William Logan, head injured, who probably died; John McDowell, head hit; Mrs. William McDowell, eye cut and head and shoulder 3-year-old daughter injured; J. W. Mack, head bruised; James Ward, leg broken and hurt internally; James Wood, leg badly lacerated; May Wood, leg broken, probably fatally hurt; Andrew Godfrey, lacerated arm and hip; Frank Hollis, head cut; Charles Godfrey, arm cut; John McCaffrey, head cut; Thomas Dougherty, injured in head, will die. Among the seriously injured are: Eugene Dupont, member of the firm; Francis G. Dupont, and Charles L. Dupont.

Lost Her Husband and Two Brothers.

The saddest spectacle amid the wreck was the wailing of Mrs. John Harrigan. Not only did her husband become a victim to the awful affair, but her two brothers (John and Thomas Hurkile) were also killed, and there is no probability of any of the bodies ever being found. The poor woman was on the verge of insanity, and it was with difficulty that she was partially pacified by her friends. Her case, however, was one of insanity, and the wife and mother relatives of the victims were not told of the fate of their dear ones until every effort to find them among the injured had been made. Then clergymen broke the news to the afflicted, and scenes that can be better imagined than described ensued. The wrecked houses were turned into hospitals and scores of physicians, who had hurried from Wilmington and other near-by points, attended to the injured.

Wrecked the Dupont Headquaters.

The buildings in which the explosions took place were distant from each other about twenty-five yards. The residence of Mrs. Henry Dupont, widow of the late G. Dupont, and Eugene Dupont (the latter the head of the firm) were wrecked with the rest of the thirty odd dwellings in the immediate vicinity, but the occupants of the mansions did not receive any serious injury or damage. In addition to the Dupont "mills," which exploded "terribly," where there was a

total destruction. Its destruction had no material bearing on the disaster. In all about 125 acres or more are thoroughly devastated.

Will Fension the Widows.

The Jessup & Moore's company's paper mills at Rockford, two miles from the place of explosion, occurred, were violently shaken by the concussion and glasses in the windows were broken. At Mount Cuba, five miles distant, the plaster was shaken from a farmer's house. The company will, as usual, give the widows made by the explosion \$15 per month each for five years.

A SAD SCENE.

Appalling Desolation Visits the Mourning After the Terrible Calamity.

A bright warm sun in a clear sky looked down on a scene of desolation at the Eliotson yard of the Dupont powder works Wednesday morning. The full extent of the appalling wreck could be best seen from the blackened hill toward the Brandywine where the ruins of the magazine, powder mills, and yawning holes in the ground showed where the wooden mills had stood, and heaps of shattered stones and masonry indicated the site of the stone mills. The other buildings showed the effects of destruction in shattered walls and fallen roofs. The little village on the hillside where the operations lived was deserted. Friends in the surrounding village of Squirrel Run and Rising Hill, a sheltered spot, the unfortunate who had been desolated.

Armed Guards on Duty.

A cordon of armed guards surrounded the works all night and guards are about the powder yards permitting no one to enter. Powder in kegs, cans and canisters which did not explode, but which were blown all about the works are being gathered up by the men and stored in the magazine, still intact. Crowds of people are visiting the scene from this city. The body of Patrick Dougherty was found in the mill race Wednesday morning badly mangled. This is the third body found. About seventy-five pounds of human flesh is all that has been gathered up of nine others.

Anger Drives Him to Insane Work.

At 10 o'clock Saturday morning he took a heavy chain from a piece of farm machinery and chained his three horses to posts in the barn, brought in all the valuable property near by, and toppling the pile with a quantity of dry straw from a neighboring stack set fire to it and suddenly watched the barn flash into a blaze and the down into ashes. The unfortunate horses were freed when the chain broke.

He was spanked by his wife, who

described him as a "rascal."

Planned to Commit Suicide.

ARKANSAS CITY, Kan., Oct. 8.—The officers are after the gang of cattle thieves who have been operating for months in the Cherokee strip south of this city. L. Wallace, a cowboy, was given a hearing in this city Tuesday charged with stealing cattle recovered from a butcher's pen here, but was discharged on a technicality. He was immediately rearrested, however, with John Beach, from the Kaw agency. They are charged with stealing cattle in the territory and selling them in Kansas, and are believed to belong to a regularly organized gang who have been stealing cattle by wholesale. In order to relate what they have to do with cattle, Robert Barrett and Sheriff Gilmer arrested for shooting with intent to kill. The cattlemen are hot on the trail of the thieves, and will let no guilty man escape. Several arrests have been made at Guthrie and others will follow.

The stolen cattle in this city alone will run up in the hundreds. Others were sold at Norman, Stillwater, Kingfisher, and smaller towns in Oklahoma, and many driven to this and other cities in Kansas.

KNOCKED OUT BY A MASHER.

A Champion Pugilist Given Both Injust and Injury.

NEW YORK, Oct. 8.—Tommy Kelly, the "Harlem Spider" and champion bantam weight prize fighter of the world, was knocked out in one round by a brakeman in larger than himself about 1 o'clock Tuesday morning. The brakeman tried to fight with Kelly's wife as she was passing along the street, and the Spider demanded a redress. What he received was a blow in the face, and the champion bantam weight fighter of the world went to grass.

Jumped Him When He Was Down.

By this time the neighbors arrived on the scene of destruction, attracted by the smoke and flames, and taking in the situation took him before a justice of the peace at Plymouth. The preliminary examination resulted in his being sent to Minneapolis for confinement to await the action of the grand jury. He was brought here Tuesday and is now in the county jail.

THE PHOTOGRAPH BETRAYS HER.

Silent Evidence Against Brooklyn Woman's Misconduct.

NEW YORK, Oct. 8.—A photograph representing a young and prepossessing blonde, sitting in the lap of a good-looking man with her arms around his neck, is in the possession of William Edwards, 85 Metropolitan avenue, Brooklyn.

The woman is his wife Susan, and the man whom she is pictured as caressing so lovingly is named Vanderbilt. He is also married and well known in Brooklyn.

The photograph Edwards proposes to use as a part of the evidence in a suit, now divorced, which he will soon institute against his wife.

In Possession of a Clothing Prostitute.

Until now it was known only to his wife that Edwards had a girl friend.

Edwards lived happily with his wife when he discovered that she had become particularly friendly with a man named Vanderbilt. He took her to task for her conduct, but she merely laughed at his words. There was a stormy scene, ending in Mrs. Edwards leaving her husband's home. One day he was called upon by the wife of Vanderbilt, who exhibited some love letters she had found in her husband's pocket, and which were written in a feminine hand and bore the initials of Mr. Edwards. Mrs. Vanderbilt during the summer months received a package and when she opened it she was surprised to find the photograph contained. It represented her husband, with Mrs. Edwards sitting on his lap. Mrs. Vanderbilt forwarded the photograph to Edwards, who now has it.

Losses by Prairie Fires.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Oct. 8.—A Mandan special to the Tribune says: By a conservative estimate, over \$10,000 damage was done by the late prairie fire in this country. The Riverside Ranch company lost a head of stock, worth over \$100,000, and 100 cattle. The fire, besides a large ranch, straggling out lost hay, cattle, barns and houses. In the Kildee mountains, northwest of here, several cattlemen have lost every thing except scattering feed of cattle, for which there is no feed.

Young Men's Catholic Union.

WASHINGTON CITY, Oct. 8.—The sixteenth annual convention of the Catholic Young Men's National union met here Tuesday evening. The hall in which they met was filled with the young men of the city, who had come from all over the country to meet the young men of the world.

The convention opened with a

mass meeting at the Union League.

The Troubles at Buenos Ayres.

BUENOS AIRES, Oct. 8.—This city was thrown into a panic Monday night by rumors of a new revolution. The troops were called out and detachments of cavalry patrolled the streets. The police were armed and held in readiness to meet any emergency, and reinforcements of artillery came to the city, ready to repel any force that might be sent to oppose the land forces in case of necessity. Many deputies and senators passed the night at the president's residence.

Diphtheria at Omaha.

OMAHA, Oct. 8.—Diphtheria, of which there had been occasional cases for the past three months, is on the increase lately, and is spreading in the northern and northwestern parts of the city so as to occasion considerable alarm. A number of intelligent ladies of this place started out to mob the widow's premises. It is stated that the wronged wife will sue the widow for \$10,000 damages for alienating her husband's affection.

Faithless Husband and Gay Widow.

PLYMOUTH, Ill., Oct. 8.—Considerable excitement exists in this place over the scandalous performances of a married man, a young widow. Both have left him.

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this place started out to mob the widow's

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Police Fainted with Stones.

BERLIN, Oct. 8.—The police of Sprottau, in Prussian Silesia, having attempted to break up a Socialist meeting they were set upon by the people, who pelted them with stones. It was necessary to invoke the aid of soldiers to restore order. Eight of the leaders of the meeting were arrested.

Condition of Holland's King.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 8.—The condition of the King of Holland remains unchanged.

The attending physicians are about to

make a consultation, after which they will

present a formal report to the cabinet.

It does not seem probable that a regency

will be established for two weeks to

come.

Sentenced to the Gallows for Murder.

WELLAND, Ont., Oct. 8.—The jury in

the case of Arthur Day, for murdering

Perry, Ga., Oct. 8.—Thomas G. Woolfolk, who murdered nine members of his family in 1890, was Tuesday sentenced to

be hanged Oct. 18.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1890.

Democratic County Convention.  
The democratic voters of Macon county are  
called upon to select delegates to a  
county convention to be held in the court  
house in the city of Decatur, on

SATURDAY, OCT. 11, 1890,  
at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of nomi-  
nating candidates for the following offices to  
be voted for at the coming November election.

County Judge.  
Sheriff.  
County treasurer.  
County clerk.  
County superintendent.

County surveyor.  
Also to transact such other business as may  
come before said convention.

The several precincts in the county will be  
entitled to delegates as follows on the basis  
of one delegate for each forty votes cast for  
Cleveland and Thurman in 1888 and one dele-  
gate for each fraction over twenty:

	VOTES.	DELEGATES.
Decatur No. 1	162	1
" 2	109	1
" 3	172	1
" 4	149	1
" 5	138	1
" 6	120	1
" 7	106	1
" 8	143	1
" 9	211	1
" 10	184	1
" 11	73	1
Austin	87	1
Waukegan	119	1
Friends Creek	195	1
Hartington	112	1
Hickory Point	107	1
Long Creek	120	1
Macon	151	1
Macon No. 2	169	1
Milam	47	1
Mt. Zion	150	1
Olney	107	1
Pleasant View	130	1
Wheatland	114	1
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All democratic voters are earnestly requested to attend the primaries.		
By order of the Democratic County Central Committee. J. P. DANNAN, Chairman CHARLES C. LEFONGER, Secretary.		

## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

WE are authorized to announce the name  
of H. C. MONTGOMERY, of Macon  
township, as a candidate for County Treasurer  
subject to the Democratic county convention.

WE are authorized to announce for NAME  
of W. E. NELSON, as a candidate for  
county judge, subject to the democratic  
county convention.

WE are authorized to announce PETER  
PERL, as a candidate for speaker,  
subject to the decision of the Democratic  
county convention.

WE are authorized to announce GEORGE  
P. HARDY, of Decatur, as a candidate  
for the office of County Clerk, to be voted for  
at the coming election.

Democratic Senatorial and Representative  
Convention.

The democratic senatorial and representative  
convention in the 12th district will be  
held in Decatur, Ill., on Monday, Oct. 13, 1890,  
at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of nominating  
one candidate for state senator and two  
candidates for representatives in the general  
assembly, to be voted for at the coming election.  
Logan county will be represented by  
20 delegates and Macon county by 25 delegates.

GEORGE P. SPRINGER,  
Secretary Senatorial and Representative  
committee.

IT WAS NO GO.

Those who have been in the habit of thinking  
that Long Jones is a pretty smooth man  
will not be compelled to think that he is  
not getting up early enough. He has, according  
to all reports, been engaged for  
some time on a great scheme to deliver  
some republican candidates from the F. M.  
B. A. vote. Two weeks ago there appeared  
a call in a few newspapers for a  
convention of farmers and labor organizations.  
This convention was to meet at Mattoon,  
Tuesday, "to nominate candidates for state  
offices." It would be a great thing for Mr.  
Jones if he could put a farmer's ticket in  
the field this fall, for the reason that most  
farmers' organizations are found in the  
democratic counties of the state. If he could  
divert the votes of any considerable number  
of those men to some proposed third party  
that could have no hope of success, he would  
then be able to see clear sailing for the  
republican state ticket.

And so the Mattoon convention was  
called; by whom is not known. The call  
was not signed, which in itself was a sure  
indication that the genuine farmers had  
nothing to do with it. Long Jones' friends  
were at Mattoon, but unfortunately for  
the success of their scheme, there were other  
people present. There were some F. M. B.  
A. and Alliance men there. The State  
Grange, Industrial Union and Knights of  
Labor also sent delegates. Altogether there  
were about 100 delegates present. A  
committee on resolutions was appointed and re-  
ported as follows:

WHEREAS, It is in the sense of your com-  
mittee that this call, convening the different  
farmers' and labor's organizations of this  
state is without proper authority, and ill-  
ordered; therefore be it

Resolved, That the representatives of  
the different farmer and labor organizations  
of the state of Illinois in conference assembled  
hereby express their unqualified con-  
demnation of any attempt to entrap their  
several organizations into an independent  
political convention late in the campaign  
which would denounce the so-called call for a  
state convention as emanating from per-

sons not authorized to call the same, and it  
is the sense of this conference that we con-  
tinue to work in harmony and in the spirit  
of union we adopted at Springfield, May  
3, 1865, whereby the wealthier and the  
poorer by their representatives declared that  
each should be a missionary in their several  
political parties to secure the nomination of  
men favorable to the interests of the wealth-  
producing classes, and should we be dis-  
appointed we would be excusable if we insist  
upon voting for our friends regardless of  
party. And we hereby reaffirm the action  
and endorse the resolutions adopted at  
Springfield by the said farmers and laborers  
convention, May 2 and 3, 1865.

Resolved, That the call is a conven-  
tion to be binding and worthy of consideration  
by the farmers' and laborers' organiza-  
tions should be accompanied by the signatures  
of the president and secretary of said  
conference.

If Long Jones has any more schemes to  
work up, he had better take three or four  
years off and practice up on them. The  
farmers have said that they would vote for  
their friends regardless of party; and now  
why not let them pursue this course with-  
out interference or suggestion from Long  
Jones' committee? Mr. Jones must be  
aware that the farmers have no friends on  
the ticket for which he is working; and  
probably he is further aware that they  
have friends on the democratic ticket.

It is for this reason that he is so anxious.  
Jones should not wear himself out in this task. The  
farmers of the state offered the republican  
ticket a man whom they regarded as a  
friend. The delegates who made up that  
ticket chose to refuse the offer. There is  
where the blame lies, if the republican  
editors and speakers are prepared to admit  
there is any. But when Jones thinks that  
his party can kick the farmer candidate out  
of its convention doors and then hire him to  
herd the farmers off in a bunch to them-  
selves where their force will not be felt by  
the republican party, he makes a mistake.  
The farmers are learning not only to stand by  
their friends, but also to stand by those  
particular ones who have the brightest  
prospect of success. The day when a political  
manipulator can destroy a popular move-  
ment by deftly ringing in a third ticket  
has gone by. That trick is wearing false  
whiskers.

On Monday, August 18, some of the people  
on West Cerro Gordo street presented a  
petition to the city council, asking that  
their rights in the matter of a street railway  
extension be looked after. The petition set  
forth the facts in the case, and the council  
admitted that the petitioners had a good  
case. And so the council ordered the city  
attorney to investigate the law of the case  
and report at the next meeting what steps  
could be taken to compel the Short Line  
people to build a track on West Cerro Gordo  
between North Edward and North Mound.  
Tony Grant and wife, attended the state  
fair at Peoria.

Mrs. Nancy Painter is having an addition  
put on her property, recently purchased of  
Mr. Sutton.

George Nestrel has lost 35 heads of hogs  
from the cholera. Several more report  
similar losses.

B. F. Watson, Sherman Boarday, and  
Tony Grant and wife, attended the state  
fair at Peoria.

Mrs. Pickering and daughter, May, of  
Arcola, visited Mrs. B. F. Watson and Mrs.  
P. M. Painter, Friday.

Land in this vicinity is selling very high.  
Mr. Sutton recently sold his small lot with  
house of three rooms for \$650, and Theo  
Roth prices his land at \$100 per acre, when  
he gets the title price.

James Sims has about completed the sale  
of the 1,900 acre farm of Don Ferdinand,  
Jose A. Del Valle, Iztapa, for \$2,000.  
Mr. Izanga is a resident of Spain, and owns  
the farm theretofore owned by Columbus.  
Theodore York is extending the T. H. &  
P. switch 400 feet west of the present one.  
Theodore York wants the switch further  
west about 400 feet, and have offered the T.  
H. & P. company their work gratis of grad-  
ing the switch bed, but it seems that they  
prefer to favor one that does not do any  
business rather than the farmers and busi-  
ness men of the place.

Now, why can't this man make a report?  
If there is no legal remedy, let him say so.  
But the people on West Cerro Gordo want  
to know what their rights are. They may  
have a sufficient remedy, but as long as the  
city attorney chooses to ignore the matter  
what can they do? And the council is  
probably ready to instruct that steps be  
taken to preserve the rights of the people on  
West Cerro Gordo, but the council must first  
know that there is a legal remedy, and it has  
asked its attorney to speak up in the  
matter. He neither reports nor gives any  
intimation that he is preparing a report.  
If we were to judge by all we have heard  
from him on this matter, we would have to  
conclude that he has forgotten all about it.

Now the city council does not pass resolutions,  
directing the city attorney to do something,  
just that he may have papers of a  
legal look to fill up the pigeon holes in  
his desk. In there to be a report in this  
case; and if so, when are we to have it? If  
we are not to have a report, why not?

The Rep. has some extracts from English  
papers to show that English workmen  
are going to be thrown out of employment  
by the passage of the McKinley bill. There  
is probably very little but the wildest kind  
of conjecture in this. The history of nearly  
50 years is that the tariffs of other countries  
have gone higher, the condition of the  
English workmen has improved. We  
know of nothing exceptional to day that  
should change this history. But suppose a  
lot of English factories do close down, as  
the Rep. affects to believe. Will not the  
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Mr. and Mrs. Will Humphrey, of Covington,  
Ind., spent several days visiting relatives  
in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Martin left Sunday  
night for a few days to visit Chicago.

Carrie Scott and Myrtle Hatfield.

Mrs. Walker's mother, from Michigan,  
has been several weeks visiting relatives in  
Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Humphrey, of Covington,  
Ind., spent several days visiting relatives  
in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Greenwalt, Mr. and Mrs.  
Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie and Mases Ida  
Frantz and Dolly Cripe left Tuesday for  
Chicago to spend the winter.

Oct. 8.

Elwin.

T. J. Oder was in Elwin to-day.

Elwin's sister, of Wisconsin, is making  
her a visit.

Superintendent Evans visited the Elwin  
school to-day.

Miss Delta Leslie has about recovered and  
Lizzie Elder is on the sick list.

Mr. N. Odor shipped a car load of cattle  
and one hog to Chicago to-day.

Rev. Higgins spent Sunday with friends  
in Elwin and preached Sunday night.

James Law, of Hammond, has been visiting  
relatives in Elwin for several days.

Mr. Mercer's brother-in-law and family  
from the same part of the state, are making  
a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker had a festival last Friday  
night, the attendance was small owing to the  
rain. They cleared about \$4.

Miss Anna Foster, who suspended her  
school near Kenny to attend the funeral of  
her sister Mrs. Eva Conard, resumed her  
charge last Monday.

Oct. 7, 1890.

Stonington.

Dr. E. M. Alverson visited Taylorville on  
Monday.

William O'Hearn and family, have re-  
moved to Decatur.

M. U. Holupka's wife and children, are  
visiting friends at Wichita, Kas.

N. D. Sanders has bought the William  
Montgomery farm for \$62.50 per acre.

J. H. Dexheimer is visiting relatives and  
friends in Chicago and Waukegan, Wis.

J. H. Lane was appointed village  
marshal on Monday evening by the board of  
village trustees.

C. D. S. S. has run away last night,  
throwing his wife and little boy out of the  
house, and breaking them up considerably,  
but no one was seriously hurt.

L. F. Sabine, a former resident of this neighbor-  
hood, has removed from Kansas and located  
in this place. M. Sabine has secured the  
school east of town, and will again enlighten  
the children of this district.

Hon. J. B. Ricks, a noted orator and  
speaker of Taylorville will address the people  
of this place in behalf of democracy and  
tariff reform, on Saturday evening, Oct. 25.  
Everyone invited.

Oct. 25.

Laure City.

Mrs. P. Hogan visited in Decatur, Wed-  
nesday.

Henry Feely is here on a visit to relatives  
and friends.

Oct. 26.



## ONE ENJOYS

Both the method and results when  
Syrup of Figs is taken; it is pleasant  
and refreshing to the taste, and acts  
gently yet promptly on the Kidneys  
Liver and Bowels, cleanses the  
system effectually, dispels colds, headaches  
and fevers and cures habitual  
constipation. Syrup of Figs is the  
only remedy of its kind ever produced,  
pleasing to the taste and acceptable  
to the stomach, prompt in its action  
and truly beneficial in its effects,  
prepared only from the most  
healthy and agreeable substances, its  
many excellent qualities commend it  
to all and have made it the most  
popular remedy known.

Syrup of Figs is for sale in 50c  
and \$1 bottles by all leading druggists.  
Any reliable druggist who  
may not have it on hand will procure  
it promptly for any one who  
wishes to try it. Do not accept any  
substitute.

Miss Cora Davis, of Bethany, gave an entertain-  
ment here, Thursday and Friday  
nights of last week.

Misses Mary Dolan and Celia Kitney, of  
Decatur, visited friends and Sunday  
afternoon.

Clinton Davis



# TRY IT ON A DOG.

Miss ANNIE McDONALD  
Is in Chicago making new and  
CHOICE SELECTIONS

For our military department. Will be at  
home

## THURSDAY MORNING

Ready to receive and promptly execute all  
orders. Prices always 25 per cent  
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Respectfully,  
S. G. HATCH & BRO.

168 East Main St. October, 6, 1860.

## THE HISTORICAL 21ST

### A REUNION AND CAMP FIRE OF GREAT INTEREST.

Over Sixty of General Grant's First  
Soldiers in Decatur Yesterday — The Old  
Flag Brought into the Hall — an Affect-  
ing Scene — New Officers — A Brief Sketch  
of the Regiment and Its Deeds.

The Twenty-first Illinois is a regiment that  
has an unusual history. It was General  
Grant's first regiment. He was not in com-  
mand of it very long, but the boys went  
through the war in a way that had many of  
the characteristics of the unyielding old  
chief. When they went into battle  
they stood till ordered out. Sometimes  
most of them stood even then, as may  
be seen from a fact or two given below, in  
the sketch of the regiment.

The twenty-first Illinois association held  
its 16th annual meeting at G. A. R. hall in  
Decatur yesterday. The day was the anni-  
versary of the battle of Perryville. The  
meeting was called to order at 10 in the  
morning by President P. A. Lunsden, sheriff  
of Macon county. M. A. Ewing, of  
Neoga, was the secretary. The mortuary  
committee reported seven deaths the last  
year. It was decided to hold the next re-  
union at Saltillo on Sept. 19, the anniversary  
of the battle of Chickamauga. These  
new officers were elected:

President — Rev. D. D. Welkin, chaplain,  
Linn county.

Vice President — J. R. Shepard, Co. A.

Recording Secretary — Peter Coffey, Co. E.

Corresponding Secretary — Addison Mc-  
Pheeters, Co. E, Sullivan.

Treasurer — Capt. Philip Welshimer, Co.  
B, Neoga.

Chaplain — W. L. Bankson, Co. E, Blue  
Mound.

The association decided to give \$100 to-  
ward paying for the monument erected at  
fronton, Mo., on the ground where Gen.  
Grant's headquarters stood when he was  
promoted from colonel of the Twenty-first  
to a brigadier-generalship.

THE OLD FLAG

It was at this point that a most affecting  
incident occurred. The flag of the regi-  
ment has been for some years in the hands  
of Dr. Reat, of Tuscola. Rather it would  
be better to say the flag staff, for there is  
little else left. A few tattered ribbons  
faded and old hang to the stick. There is  
enough though to show a great many bullet  
holes, and some dark brown stains that the  
veteran know were made by the life blood  
of their comrades. That is the first flag.

Col. Grant made a requisition for when he  
took command of the regiment. At the  
battle of Stone River seven men who car-  
ried it were shot down one after the other.

As fast as one man would fall another  
could step forward and take his place.

Lieut. William J. Hunter, now living at  
Paris, Ill., was the seventh man to pick up  
the colors and he carried them off the field.

Lieut. Hunter was in the hall yesterday  
when the flag was brought to the door, and  
the fact made known to the association.

Lieut. Hunter was delegated to go  
out and carry it in. He went, and the old  
boys stood up to sing "Hail Around the  
Flag, Boys."

There was much singing, though. It started out well too, but before

Ames Evans, who died Tuesday, was  
buried yesterday morning from Bethel  
church. The services were conducted  
by Rev. Hankson, of Blue Mound.

The old mill dam in the river near Mont-  
icello was blown out yesterday with 20  
pounds of dynamite. Its days of usefulness

had passed, so the river was cleared of the  
obstruction.

The Industrial and Charitable Union are  
now prepared to receive for distribution do-  
nations of second-hand clothing, etc.

Clothing suitable for school children parti-  
cularly.

The corner stone of the new Presbyterian  
church will be laid this afternoon at 3:30.

The exercises will be conducted as an-  
nounced two weeks ago, Dr. McQuilkin of

Chicago, preaching the sermon.

Capt. John W. Hartley and wife will go  
to Centralia to day, and attend a celebra-  
tion of his mother's family, and celebrate  
her 53rd birthday. Mr. Hartley will meet  
an uncle he has not seen for 45 years.

The grand jury returned 16 more indict-  
ments yesterday, and then adjourned.

They found a total of 31 during their ses-  
sion. These latter are for persons not yet  
arrested, and consequently cannot be named.

About twice a week the police have to go  
around and notify the owners of a cheap  
store on South Park street to get their goods  
off the sidewalk. They are hustlers, and  
find it difficult to keep from moving out into  
the street to catch the stray customers.

Samuel W. Suyser, one of Moultrie  
county's legal lights, left yesterday for the  
Black Hill country, Wyoming, in search of a  
location. He has been city and county  
attorney at Sullivan and has been prominent  
in all the councils of the democratic party.

Mrs. M. J. Jamison, Mrs. Flo Miller and  
Messrs. George Dawson, Lou Kizer and E.  
Lee were here yesterday from Monticello  
to attend the reunion of the Twenty-first  
regiment. Mrs. C. H. Cloyd is the daughter of  
Col. Jamison and is an honorary member of  
the Twenty-first.

The Decatur Brewing company has not  
been using any but Decatur coal. At the  
time of the strike in the Decatur mine they  
had to order some cars from outside, but  
none was ordered after the strike was settled.

Except at the time mentioned the  
company has bought all its coal from the  
Decatur coal company.

The baggage and mail transfer men at  
the depot have a difficult place to fill. The  
work is hard, and there are thousand  
things a day to try their patience and make  
it harder. They have to hurry during the  
busy train times to make the transfers  
from one train to another. The U. S. M. A.  
regulations require trucks to be pushed so  
that the sacks can be watched, and the bag-  
gage trucks are usually pulled.

All members of the Industrial and Charitable  
Union who design paying their back  
dues in work, are requested to call at the  
Exchange and secure a date for work. All  
other members in areas are earnestly re-  
quested to call and settle with Miss Irwin,  
the secretary. The rule is "Every mem-  
ber of the Union shall give one day's work  
in each month to the work of the Union to  
some of its branches, or at their option pay  
25 cents a month in the treasury."

People who live in the country and can  
not attend evening performances at the  
Grand Opera house will have a fine oppor-  
tunity to see a splendid attraction Saturday  
afternoon next. Hanlon's famous "Pan-  
tama" will appear Friday and Saturday  
evenings and also give a grand

Saturday matinee beginning at 2:30. Fan-  
tama is an entertainment that is sure to  
please everybody and is one of the most ingenious  
and delightful spectacles ever produced.

Laundry Wagon Smashed

There was a collision Tuesday evening on  
East Eldorado street that demolished a  
wheel of one of F. Norman's delivery  
wagons. The laundry wagon and a street  
car were going east at about equal gait and  
side by side. The driver of the wagon  
whipped up his horse and started to cross  
the track in front of the street car. Instead  
of turning in behind it, with the result that  
the wagon was caught by the car, one hind  
wheel torn off and the wagon tipped over.

The horse was frightened and ran but was  
soon stopped. No blame can attach to the  
street car company as it seems to have been  
the fault of the driver of the wrecked wagon  
that the accident happened.

Marriage License

Henry Harpster, Lang Creek tp. 24

H. E. Stahl, Oakley township. 21

William Lightfoot, Decatur. 24

Many Tandy, Decatur. 24

Deacon G. G. Powers' New Home —  
The First Party There Yesterday.

The party given yesterday afternoon at  
the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles G.  
Powers, at 341 West Decatur street, was

the first one in the house, and to that extent

was in the nature of a house warming. Ar-  
rangements, decorations, furnishings and  
conveniences are all alike in taste in the

house and no one could fail to be pleased

with them. The door and windows in the

front of the house have transoms of colored  
glass in bright patterns. The hall is square

and has a carved oaken staircase with  
Moorish fretwork overhead. The floor is of  
hard wood and the effect of the furnishing

is most pleasing. The front parlor is gen-  
erally lighted with white and gold, with woodwork and fur-  
niture to match. The walls are in a delicate shade of pink, and a touch of blue

gives color to the room. Upon the beautiful

mantel stands a handsomely framed mirror.

The back parlor opens from the front  
by sliding doors. It is a large and well

lighted room with a comfortable air about

it that would attract any one. The dining  
room opens from the back parlor and from

the rest of the hall, and is an unusually  
handsome apartment. The finishing is enti-  
tled in antique oak and the effect is very

rich. A paneled wainscoting of oak sur-  
rounds the room and the walls are finished

in terra cotta. The floor is of hard wood in  
handsome designs. A fine sideboard stands

at the west side of the room under an ob-  
long window of stained glass, and over it

the wall is lettered with gilt in old Eng-  
lish text, "Who eats salt with me is my  
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